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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7458**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 326

**NOTE PREPARED:** Apr 7, 2005

**BILL AMENDED:** Mar 31, 2005

**SUBJECT:** Information Concerning Meningococcal Meningitis.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Server

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Rep. Frizzell

**BILL STATUS:** As Passed House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (A) The bill requires public and nonpublic schools to distribute materials concerning meningococcal meningitis and its vaccines.

(B) The bill requires the Department of Education to develop the material to be distributed.

(C) The bill provides for medication possessed by a school for administration to a student to be released to the student's parent or an individual who is at least 18 years of age or sent home with the student, if the student's parent provides written permission.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2005.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (B) Under the bill, the Department of Education (DOE) in consultation with the State Department of Health would be required to develop informational materials on meningococcal disease and its vaccines for public and nonpublic schools. The provision could require the DOE to mass distribute the disease materials. If the medium type were paper to distribute the information the Department would incur additional printing cost to produce materials. The DOE may need to reallocate staff time to develop and produce the required materials. The DOE would be required to enforce the distribution of materials under the bill.

The funds and resources required above could be supplied through a variety of sources, including the following: (1) Existing staff and resources not currently being used to capacity; (2) Existing staff and resources currently being used in another program; (3) Authorized, but vacant, staff positions, including those positions that would

need to be reclassified; (4) Funds that, otherwise, would be reverted; or (5) New appropriations. As of September 7, 2004, the Department of Education had 263 full-time staff members. For FY 2005, the Department has 272 budgeted full-time positions, 10 budgeted temporary positions, and 36 budgeted intermittent positions. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend upon legislative and administrative actions. The Department reverted \$4.3 M in FY 2004.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** (A) Under the bill, each public and nonpublic school would be required to provide information on meningococcal disease to students and their parents. As the DOE would provide the materials under the bill, the impact to local expenditures should be minimal, given that schools could distribute the materials within existing resources.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Indiana Department of Education.

**Local Agencies Affected:** School corporations.

**Information Sources:** Department of Education; State of Indiana *HRM Detail Staffing Report 9/07/2004*; Indiana State Budget Agency: BUDSTARS.

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